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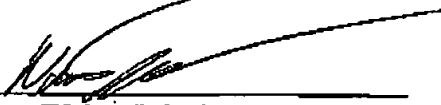
Docket No: S63.2B-5902-US01

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136

Petitioners, **SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC.**, hereby request a two month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2004. The petition fee of \$320.00 as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17 (minus the one month fee of \$110.00, already paid) and any outstanding fee for extension should be charged to our Deposit Account, No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,

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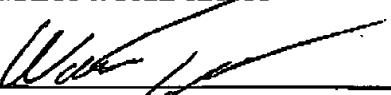
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Conditional Petition

If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefore.

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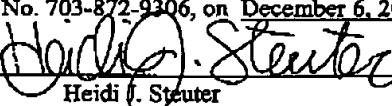
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